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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2005, having a time for response of April 26, 2005. Should any fee be due, please charge Deposit Account Number 23-0455. In view of the following remarks, Applicants submit that the Application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

**Response**

The Office Action of January 26, 2005, has been carefully considered and the following response is submitted. Applicant's attorney gratefully acknowledges the withdrawal of the noted rejections in Paragraph 2 of the Office Action.

In Paragraph 4 of the Office Action the Examiner rejects Claims 57, 60-61, 67-70 and 78-81 under 35 USC 103(a) on the basis of Yamamoto et al (USP 5,264,223) in view of Jansen (USP 2,799,897). This rejection is